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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 4717**  
Andreas PFALTZ et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006\_0704A  
Serial No. 10/582,404 : Group Art Unit 1621  
Filed June 9, 2006 : Examiner Maria Louisa Lao  
METHOD FOR PRODUCING : **Mail Stop: Amendment**  
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ORTHOSUBSTITUTED  
AROMATIC COMPOUNDS

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Responsive to the Office Action of September 26, 2007, constituting a restriction requirement among (I) claims 1-3, 5-12, 16, 18, and 20, (II) claim 13, (III) claim 14, (IV) claim 15, (V) claim 17, (VI) claim 19 and (VII) claim 21, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I, i.e. claims 1-3, 5-12, 16, 18 and 20.

On page 4 of the Office Action, the Examiner also requires election of a single disclosed species from the ferrocene or bisindylferrocene or ruthenocene, in response to which Applicants elect the ferrocene species.

These election are made while reserving Applicants' rights under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter.

Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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